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The Honorable Robert M. Gates
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
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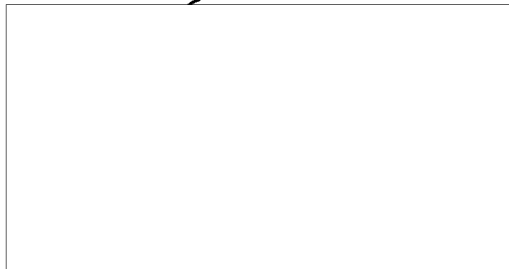
Dear Bob:

I'm writing in response to your letter asking me to stay on as Chairman of STAP through September 1988.

I first want to thank you for asking me to continue. I greatly appreciate the trust and confidence expressed in your request. I have always found my work with STAP to be both meaningful and enjoyable, and I share your belief that the Panel offers a useful outside perspective.

I do believe that turnover and new blood are important for any advisory group and am thus reluctant to stay in the chair too long. Nevertheless, I agree with your point about the need for continuity and therefore accept your offer. I shall do my best to ensure that both you and the DCI continue to find STAP a valuable resource, and I especially look forward to continuing our working relationship.

Sincerely,



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Chairman, Science and Technology Advisory Panel

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